# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE: NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE PLAYERS' CONCUSSION	No. 12-md-2323 (AB)
INJURY LITIGATION	MDL No. 2323
THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO:  Plaintiffs' Master Administrative Long- Form Complaint and (if applicable)  Jones v. National Football League [et al.], No. 11-cv-24594 (S.D. Fla.)  ROBERT HARRIS	SHORT FORM COMPLAINT IN RE: NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE PLAYERS' CONCUSSION INJURY LITIGATION  JURY TRIAL DEMANDED

# **SHORT FORM COMPLAINT**

- 1. Plaintiff(s), **ROBERT HARRIS**, (and, if applicable, Plaintiff's Spouse)
  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, bring(s) this civil action as a related action in the matter entitled IN RE:

  NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE PLAYERS' CONCUSSION INJURY LITIGATION,

  MDL No. 2323.
- 2. Plaintiff (and, if applicable, Plaintiff's Spouse) is/are filing this short form complaint as required by this Court's Case Management Order No. 2, filed April 26, 2012.
- 3. Plaintiff (and, if applicable Plaintiff's Spouse), incorporate(s) by reference the allegations (as designated below) of the Master Administrative Long-Form Complaint, as may be amended, as if fully set forth at length in this Short Form Complaint.

4.	[Fill in if applicable] P	Plaintiff is filing this case in a r	representative capacity as the
	of	, havir	ng been duly appointed as the
	by the	Court of	(Cross out
sentence bel	ow if not applicable.) Co	pies of the Letters of Adminis	stration/Letters Testamentary
for a wrongf	ul death claim are annexed	d hereto if such Letters are req	uired for the commencement
of such a cl	aim by the Probate, Surre	ogate or other appropriate co	urt of the jurisdiction of the
decedent.			

- 5. Plaintiff, **ROBERT HARRIS** is a resident and citizen of **Florida** and claims damages as set forth below.
- 6. [Fill in if applicable] Plaintiff's spouse, \_\_\_\_\_\_, is a resident and citizen of \_\_\_\_\_ and claims damages as a result of loss of consortium proximately caused by the harm suffered by her Plaintiff husband/decedent.
- 7. On information and belief, the Plaintiff (or decedent) sustained repetitive, traumatic sub-concussive and/or concussive head impacts during NFL games and/or practices. On information and belief, Plaintiff suffers (or decedent suffered) from symptoms of brain injury caused by the repetitive, traumatic sub-concussive and/or concussive head impacts the Plaintiff (or decedent) sustained during NFL games and/or practices. On information and belief, the Plaintiff's (or decedent's) symptoms arise from injuries that are latent and have developed and continue to develop over time.
- 8. [Fill in if applicable] The original complaint by Plaintiff(s) in this matter was filed in the **United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida**. If the case is

remanded, it should be remanded to United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida.

	9.	Plainti	ff claims damages as a result of [check all that apply]:
		<u>✓</u>	Injury to Herself/Himself
		_	Injury to the Person Represented
		_	Wrongful Death
		_	Survivorship Action
		<u>√</u>	Economic Loss
		_	Loss of Services
			Loss of Consortium
	<del>10.</del>	[ <del>Fill</del>	in if applicable] As a result of the injuries to her husband
,		, Pl	aintiff's Spouse,, suffers from a loss of
conso	<del>rtium, i</del> i	neluding	the following injuries:
	<u>los</u>	s of mar	<del>ital services;</del>
	<u>— los</u>	ss of cor	mpanionship, affection or society;
	<u>— los</u>	ss of sur	<del>pport; and</del>
	<u>— mc</u>	onetary	losses in the form of unreimbursed costs she has had to expend for the
	health	<del>care an</del>	d personal care of her husband.

11. [Check if applicable] \_\_\_\_ Plaintiff (and Plaintiff's Spouse, if applicable) reserve(s) the right to object to federal jurisdiction.

<u>DEFENDANTS</u>			
12.	Plainti	ff (and Plaintiff's Spouse, if applicable) bring(s) this case against the	
following Defendants in this action [check all that apply]:			
	<u>√</u>	National Football League	
	<u>✓</u>	NFL Properties, LLC	
		Riddell, Inc.	
		All American Sports, Inc. (d/b/a Riddell Sports Group, Inc.)	
		Riddell Sports Group, Inc.	
		Easton-Bell Sports, Inc.	
		Easton-Bell Sports, LLC	
		EB Sports Corporation	
		RBG Holdings Corporation	
13.	[ <del>Checl</del>	where applicable] As to each of the Riddell Defendants referenced above,	
the claims ass	serted ar	e: design defect; informational defect; manufacturing defect.	
14.	[ <del>Checl</del>	c if applicable] The Plaintiff (or decedent) wore one or more helmets	
designed and	<del>or man</del>	ufactured by the Riddell Defendants during one or more years Plaintiff (or	
<del>decedent) pla</del>	<del>yed in tl</del>	ne NFL and/or AFL.	

15. Plaintiff played in [check if applicable] ✓ the National Football League ("NFL") and/or in [check if applicable] \_\_\_\_ the American Football League ("AFL") during **1992 to 1999** for the following teams: New York Giants and Minnesota Vikings.

# **CAUSES OF ACTION**

- 16. Plaintiff herein adopts by reference the following Counts of the Master Administrative Long-Form Complaint, along with the factual allegations incorporated by reference in those Counts [check all that apply]:
  - ✓ Count I (Action for Declaratory Relief Liability (Against the NFL))
  - ✓ Count II (Medical Monitoring (Against the NFL))
  - \_\_ Count III (Wrongful Death and Survival Actions (Against the NFL))
  - ✓ Count IV (Fraudulent Concealment (Against the NFL))
  - ✓ Count V (Fraud (Against the NFL))
  - ✓ Count VI (Negligent Misrepresentation (Against the NFL))
  - \_\_ Count VII (Negligence Pre-1968 (Against the NFL))
  - ✓ Count VIII (Negligence Post-1968 (Against the NFL))
  - ✓ Count IX (Negligence 1987-1993 (Against the NFL))
  - ✓ Count X (Negligence Post-1994 (Against the NFL))
  - Count XI (Loss of Consortium (Against the NFL and Riddell Defendants))

	✓	Count XII (Negligent Hiring (Against the NFL))
	<u>√</u>	Count XIII (Negligent Retention (Against the NFL))
	_	Count XIV (Strict Liability for Design Defect (Against the Riddell Defendants))
		Count XV (Strict Liability for Manufacturing Defect (Against the Riddell Defendants))
		Count XVI (Failure to Warn (Against the Riddell Defendants))
		Count XVII (Negligence (Against the Riddell Defendants))
	<u>✓</u>	Count XVIII (Civil Conspiracy/Fraudulent Concealment (Against All-the NFL Defendants))
17.		Plaintiff asserts the following additional causes of action [write in or attach]:

### **PRAYER FOR RELIEF**

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff (and Plaintiff's Spouse, if applicable) pray(s) for judgment as follows:

- A. An award of compensatory damages, the amount of which will be determined at trial;
- B. For punitive and exemplary damages as applicable;
- C. For all applicable statutory damages of the state whose laws will govern this action;
- D. For medical monitoring, whether denominated as damages or in the form of equitable relief;
- E. For an award of attorneys' fees and costs;
- F. An award of prejudgment interest and costs of suit; and
- G. An award of such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

### **JURY DEMANDED**

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 38, Plaintiff(s) hereby demand(s) a trial by jury.

DATED this 10th day of July, 2012.

Respectfully submitted,

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